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Please deny the demand from the Southern Nevada Water Authority for groundwater rights in White Pine and Lincoln counties

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Dear State Engineer Jason King State Engineer King, State Engineer,

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We believe the scientific information is overwhelming: Draining 50 billion gallons of groundwater from the Great Basin would devastate Native American communities, rural economies and wildlife habitat over a huge area.

Further, the families and small businesses of Las Vegas, recovering from a brutal recession, cannot afford the huge price tag for this project.

We definitely don't need a hefty rise in our utility costs.

My first concern arises from media reports in recent months of people buying up the land around the proposed pipeline with prior knowledge of the proposal.

So, one might argue that the \$15 billion price tag has risen from \$1 billion due to potential eminent domain land deals for those folks. I hope I'm wrong about this, but the \$15 billion pricetag is way too high regardless of the reasons. Futhermore, no land deals should be made to anyone whose bought land in the area within the last 10-15 years.

On the other hand, jobs would be created for Nevada. However, government would have to use Nevada labor and pay a livable wage, despite our "right-to-work" status.

Those are a few of my thoughts; but gouging Nevadans, as NV Energy has, to pay for your project, is not an option.

Sincerely,

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